

FORM 1: LIBRARY COVER PAGE

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State Senator: Gonzalo Barrientos **State Representative:** Elliott Naishtat

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¥ TOTAL TIFB FUNDS REQUESTED: \$ 7,368,887

¥ TOTAL LOCAL FUNDS FOR PROJECT: \$ 3,040,113

¶ If applicable, NAME OF COLLABORATIVE IN WHICH YOUR INSTITUTION IS PARTICIPATING:

Signature of Authorized Official _____ Date _____

Edward Seidenberg, Assistant State Librarian

Typed or Printed Name and Title

FORM 3: DESIGNATION OF GRANT OFFICIALS

PROJECT DIRECTOR**Name:** Michael C. Piper**Title:** Director, Library Resource Sharing Division**Organization Name:** Texas State Library and Archives Commission**Mailing Address:** PO Box 12927

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FORM 4: CERTIFIED ASSURANCES

The applicant hereby assures and certifies to the grant that:

1. It possesses legal authority to apply for the grant; that a resolution, motion or similar action has been duly adopted or passed as an official act of the applicant's governing body, authorizing the filing of the application including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.
2. It is applying for funds to purchase equipment or services that are not already in the possession of the applicant.
3. The programs contained in its application meet all requirements, that all the information is correct, that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies, and that the applicant will comply with all provisions of the grant and all other applicable federal and state laws, regulation, and guidelines.
4. Fund accounting, auditing, monitoring, and such evaluation procedures as may be necessary to keep such record as TIFB shall prescribe, shall be provided to assure fiscal control, proper management, and efficient disbursement of funds received under the grant.
5. It shall maintain such data and information and submit such reports, in such form, at such times, and containing such information as TIFB may require.
6. It will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have family business, or other ties.
7. It will comply with Texas Government Code, Chapter 573, Vernon's 1994, by ensuring that no officer, employee, or member of the applicant's governing body or of the applicant's contractor shall vote or confirm the employment of any person related within the second degree by affinity or the third degree by consanguinity to any member of the governing body or to any other officer or employee authorized to employ or supervise such person unless otherwise expressly provided by law.
8. Will insure that all information collected, assembled or maintained by the applicant relative to the project will be available to the public during normal business hours in compliance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 552, Vernon's 1994, unless otherwise expressly prohibited by law.
9. It will comply with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Vernon's 1994, which requires all regular, special or called meetings of governmental bodies to be open to the public, except as otherwise provided by law or specifically permitted in the Texas Constitution.

10. It will comply with the State of Texas *Uniform Grant Management Standards* (UGMS) as amended November, 1997, developed under the directive of the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 183.
11. It will comply with the regulation, policies, guidelines, and requirements in OMB Circulars No. A-102, A-110, A-21, A-87, A-122, A-133 and the State of Texas Single Audit Circular, as they relate to the application, acceptance and use of funds for the project.
12. It will comply with all federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination which include, but are not limited to, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Subtitle A, Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12131-12134) and the Department of Justice implementing regulation, 28 CFR Part 35, which prohibit state and local governments from refusing to allow a person with a qualified disability from participating in a service, program, or activity simply because the person has a qualified disability; the Age Discrimination Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and the Department of Justice Nondiscrimination Regulations, 28 CFR, Part 42, Subparts C, D, and G.
13. It will in the event a federal or state court or federal or state administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing, on the ground of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disability against the project, forward a copy of the finding to Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board.
14. It will comply with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. 701 et seq.) by certifying that it will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; it will publish a statement notifying employees that these activities are prohibited in the applicant organization's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition; and by maintaining on file the place(s) that work is performed in connection with the grant listing street address, city, county, state and zipcode.
15. It will comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970, as applicable.
16. It will insure that the facilities under its ownership, lease or supervision which shall be utilized in the accomplishment of the project are not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) list of Violating Facilities and that it will notify the Grantor Agency of the receipt of any communication from the Director of the EPA Office of Federal Activities indicating that a facility to be used in the project is under consideration for listing by the EPA. (EO 11738)
17. It will comply with the flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102 (a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Public Law 93-234. Section 102 (a) requires the purchase of flood insurance in communities where such insurance is available as a condition for the receipt of any Federal financial assistance for construction or acquisition proposed for use in any area that has been identified by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development as an area having special flood hazards.

18. It will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Political Activity Act (5 U.S.C. Sections 7321-29) which limit the political activity of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
19. It will provide an Equal Opportunity Program if required to maintain one, where the application is for \$500 or more.

By execution of this form the applicant certifies that it agrees to abide by the above-referenced assurances. The assurance with regard to the above laws and regulations shall obligate the applicant organization for the period during which State financial assistance is extended.

Organization Name: _____

By: _____
Signature – Head of Governing Body

Typed or Printed Name

Title

Date of Signature

By: _____
Signature of Authorized Official

Typed or Printed Name

Title

Date of Signature

LIBRARY NARRATIVE

In less than 3 pages, describe your proposed project. Provide information about the type of connection you intend to offer, and the type of service and assistance you will offer library patrons. If you are applying for Program B, describe why your organization is able to support dedicated Internet access.

In cooperation with the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board (TIFB) Libraries Advisory Subcommittee, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) submits this proposal for developing the **Library of Texas**.

TSLAC proposes an innovative inter-agency project involving TIFB, the Texas State Library, and 600 academic and public libraries across Texas to better meet the information needs of Texans. **TSLAC asks for \$7,368,887 from the TIF Board to support Phase One of this project.**

The proposed Library of Texas project will build on previous TIF infrastructure grants by providing content, the key element in a world-class telecommunications system that benefits all Texans. By transcending geographic and economic barriers, it will also reinforce TSLAC services such as TexShare, the premier example of statewide interlibrary collaboration in Texas.

In this five-year project, the State Library will collaborate with TIFB to build the Library of Texas, which will deliver information when, where and how Texans need it. A broad range of information services will be provided to school children, parents, business owners, and others across Texas, including:

- **Online databases**, putting thousands of full-text books, reference materials and journals on desktops in libraries, homes and offices – even in the most remote locales.
- **Electronic state government information**, both current and retrospective.
- A **statewide catalog** that allows customers to identify holdings in libraries statewide, determine their availability, and request those items – in one search session.
- **Extensive training** to help librarians and their customers gain full benefit from these rich information resources.

By providing collections and services to supplement resources in 600 libraries statewide, this project will empower even the smallest, most rural libraries to serve as responsive, independent participants in a statewide Library of Texas.

At a time when the state's prosperity depends more on knowledge than ever before, many Texans have limited access to current, accurate and reliable information. There are three primary reasons for this:

- Since Texas has the tenth-highest poverty rate in the US, many Texans cannot afford to buy books or Internet connections.
- Texas ranks 46th nationally in terms of per capita support for the purchase of materials in public libraries. That means adequate stocks of books and journals are priced beyond the reach of many libraries in Texas. It also makes libraries heavily dependent on effective resource sharing services.
- The state's rapid population growth, vast distances and rural population patterns intensify the difficulty of providing uniform statewide information access to help Texans thrive in today's knowledge-based society.

Thanks to the infrastructure TIFB has helped to establish across the state, Texas has the power to

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overcome these barriers. Since fully 90 percent of the state's academic and public libraries now have Internet connections, the basic building blocks are in place for a telecommunications infrastructure that benefits all Texans. Compelling content is the only element that's missing.

By collaborating with TSLAC, TIFB can add that missing element. By working together, TIFB and the State Library can deliver a broad range of compelling content, accessible through the World Wide Web, to help Texans thrive in this complex technological age.

This Library of Texas project includes four components: online databases, current and retrospective government information and a statewide library catalog with item requesting capability. To help Texans gain full benefit from these rich resources, this project also includes extensive training measures. **This grant application covers Phase One of the Library of Texas project.**

Phase One: Online databases

With the growth of the World Wide Web, customers expect instant information at their fingertips. Unfortunately, much of what they find on the Web's 300 million sites is inaccurate, non-authoritative or inappropriate for children. Furthermore, search engines often offer little help, since they frequently yield long lists of irrelevant, extraneous results.

Extending the range of database subscriptions available through the TexShare database service is the best way to put current, accurate, commercial-free information on the desktop for all Texans. In contrast to many Web-based tools, these subscription databases offer authoritative full-text articles from verifiable sources such as handbooks, encyclopedias and other reference tools, as well as newspapers, magazines and peer-reviewed scholarly journals.

Since commercial databases are priced beyond the reach of a majority of Texas libraries, the most cost-effective way to provide Texans with reliable, high-quality content is through statewide cooperative subscriptions. Buying databases at the state level enables libraries to serve Texans at a fraction of what local communities would pay if they purchased these services on their own. **In fiscal year 1999, for example, online database subscriptions provided by the State Library would have cost individual libraries more than \$20 million – ten times their actual cost to the state.** So for every dollar spent, these services delivered ten dollars' worth of value. Increasing the number of TexShare databases available to libraries statewide will yield comparable savings.

Expanding the range of subscription databases is also an equitable approach, since it makes the same high-quality information available to every Texan – urban or rural, rich or poor.

To deliver these benefits of access, cost effectiveness and equity, TSLAC proposes to use TIF funds to extend the State Library's General Revenue support for subscription databases. This will enable the State Library to leverage funds from both sources, for a total of 50 cents per capita for online databases. This level of support will afford Texans with access to a rich selection of high-quality information resources.

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By the conclusion of fifth year of the project period, the State Library will be well positioned to gain legislative approval for sustaining these database services at the 50 cents per capita level. The State Library will include this 50 cents per capita support in its legislative appropriations request for the 2006-07 biennium.

Additional information on future phases of this project can be found in the Library of Texas Proposal, online at: <http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/tif>

Activity	Phase 1 FY2001 8-1-2000 to 5-31-2001	Phase 2 FY2002 2-1-2001 to 8-31-2002	Phase 3 FY2003 8-1-2002 to 8-31-2003	Phase 4 FY2004 8-1-2003 to 8-31-2004	Phase 5 FY2005 8-1-2004 to 8-31-2005	Total
Online Databases						
Full-text books and Journals	\$7,368,887	\$7,368,887	\$7,368,887	\$7,368,887	\$7,368,887	\$36,844,435
Government Information						
Hardware	\$0	\$570,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$660,000
Software	\$0	\$171,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$243,000
Specialized Programming	\$0	\$35,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,000
Upgraded TSLAC Bandwidth	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$40,000
Statewide Library Catalog						
Hardware	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$300,000
Software	\$0	\$990,500	\$148,575	\$148,575	\$148,575	\$1,436,225
Specialized Programming	\$0	\$95,000	\$730,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$985,000
Server Co-Location	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$240,000
Training						
Videoconference Center	\$0	\$755,000	\$960,000	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$2,235,000
Hardware	\$0	\$107,500	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$167,500
Telecommunications	\$0	\$350,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$515,000
Contracted Training	\$0	\$314,000	\$217,500	\$217,500	\$217,500	\$966,500
Total	\$7,368,887	\$11,026,887	\$9,223,962	\$8,573,962	\$8,473,962	\$44,467,660

FORM 15: SUSTAINABILITY/SECURING FUNDING

Address ways applicant organization intends to secure future funding to sustain project. Examine different outlets for local funding, community in-kind donations and cash, Federal and other State grants. Discuss measures that employ cost-effective procedures for implementing the project.

- **Interagency Cooperation.** By working together to establish the Library of Texas, TIFB and TSLAC will demonstrate the value of interagency cooperation, and highlight the benefits for Texans when state agencies collaborate to address problems. TSLAC will commit its full institutional resources to completing this project on time and within budget. Project-related publications such as Web pages, training materials, flyers and public service announcements will acknowledge TIFB's support. These items will also include a tag line, such as "Brought to you in cooperation with the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund and more than 600 libraries serving Texans."
- **Leveraging General Revenue Funds.** To deliver these benefits of access, cost effectiveness and equity, TSLAC proposes to use TIFB funds to extend the State Library's General Revenue support for subscription databases. This will enable the State Library to leverage funds from both sources, for a total of 50 cents per capita for online databases. This level of support will afford Texans with access to a rich selection of high-quality information resources.
- **Additional Legislative Support.** By the conclusion of the fourth year of the project period, the State Library will be well positioned to gain legislative approval for sustaining these database services at the 50 cents per capita level. The State Library will include this 50 cents per capita support in its legislative appropriations request for the 2006-07 biennium.

FORM 18: BUDGET PLAN

Describe how the applicant organization will maintain financial records for the grant. Briefly discuss features of the proposal which enhance cost-effectiveness of the project such as matching funds and in-kind contributions; how the proposal builds upon existing resource base and how funds from other sources will be used in conjunction with grant funds. Indicate how participating organizations will share resources (e.g. training, multimedia resources, personnel).

- **Financial records** for this grant will be maintained under the strictest oversight by staff of the TSLAC Administrative Services division.
- **Cost Effectiveness.** Buying databases at the state level enables libraries to serve Texans at a fraction of what local communities would pay if they purchased these services on their own. In fiscal year 1999, for example, online database subscriptions provided by the State Library would have cost individual libraries more than \$20 million – ten times their actual cost to the state. **So for every dollar spent, these services delivered ten dollars' worth of value.**
- **Building on Existing Resources.** TSLAC has a proven track record for providing online database services to academic and public libraries in Texas. Additional grant funds from TIFB will permit TSLAC to build upon the success of these existing programs and to vastly increase the scope and effectiveness of these services.
- **Participating Organizations and Stakeholders.** State Librarian **Peggy Rudd** has assigned lead responsibility for this project to the **TSLAC Library Resource Sharing division**, which will work closely with the **TIFB Libraries Advisory Subcommittee**.

Other key stakeholders who will be involved in this project include the state's **ten regional library systems**, in addition to the **TexShare Advisory Board** and its working groups. The TexShare Advisory Board advises TSLAC on TexShare services, and includes representatives of the general public, and from academic and public libraries.

Several of the TexShare Advisory Board's working groups will help with this project. For example, databases will be carefully selected to reflect a diverse range of needs and interests, in consultation with the **TexShare Electronic Information Working Group**. This committee includes 13 representatives from libraries across Texas. Similarly, implementation of the project's training measures will be led by the **State Library's Continuing Education unit**, in collaboration with LRS and the **TexShare Education Working Group**.

Other partners will assist in the project's implementation too. For instance, the electronic publications network will be implemented in conjunction with the state's depository libraries, while the Virtual Union Catalog will be developed in collaboration with **T-ZIG, the Texas Z39.50 Implementation Group**. This committee includes 14 representatives from across Texas. T-ZIG has written the Texas Profile, a set of internationally recognized guidelines for implementing the Z39.50 online compatibility standard. The virtual union catalog will be based on this Z39.50 international standard.

FORM 19: BUDGET SUMMARY

Applicant Name: Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Phase One: August 1, 2000 to May 31, 2001

BUDGET SCHEDULE	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
A. Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
B. Contractual Services	\$7,368,887	\$3,040,113	\$0	\$10,409,000
C. Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
D. Supplies and Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
E. Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Direct Expense	\$7,368,887	\$3,040,113	\$0	\$10,409,000

Note: Using the Justification Attachment form, justify and briefly describe the basis for arriving at the cost of each line item, including the type of service, number of hours, and rate per hour.

Signature of Financial Officer

Donna Osborne, Director, TSLAC Administrative Services
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SCHEDULE A: PERSONNEL

Applicant Name: Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
a. Substitutes	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b. Stipends	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c.					
d.					
e.					
Total Direct Expense					\$0

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SCHEDULE B: CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

Applicant Name: Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
Section 1. Telecommunications	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
a. Monthly ISP Fees	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b. Monthly Line Charges					
c. Subscription Databases		\$7,368,887	\$3,040,113		\$10,409,000
d.					
Total Section 1		\$7,368,887	\$3,040,113		\$10,409,000

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
Section 2. Project Management					
a. Project Design/Management	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b.					
c.					
e.					
Total Section 2					\$0

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
Section 2. Training					
a. TIFTech Training	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b.					
c.					
e.					
Total Section 3					\$0

TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES SECTION 1 + 2+3=		\$7,368,887	\$3,040,113		\$10,409,000
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SCHEDULE C: TRAVEL

Applicant Name: Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
a. Transportation	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b. Lodging	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c. Meals					
d.					
e.					
Total Direct Expense					\$0

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SCHEDULE D: SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS

Applicant Name: Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
Section 1. Software					
a. Web Authoring	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b. Operating System	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
c. Web Server	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
d. E-mail	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
e. Anti-Virus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
f.					
g.					
Total Section 1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Type of Expense	Quantity/ Duration	TIFB Funds	Local Funds	In-Kind	Total
Section 2. Other					
a. Equipment Rack	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
b.					
c.					
d.					
e.					\$0
Total Section 2					

TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES SECTION 1 + 2 =		\$0	\$0		\$0
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